**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Average

**IMPROVEMENT RATING: Unsatisfactory** 

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 90.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

## **RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD**

Absolute Rating Average

Improvement Rating Unsatisfactory

2001 2002

2003 2004

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

# PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









**Mathematics** 

English/ Language Arts

**Mathematics** 

English/ Language Arts









## **DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:**

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- **Proficient** Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT					
	English/			Social	
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies	
All students (n=228)	68.9	58.3	N/A	N/A	
Students with disabilities other than					
Speech (n=36)	41.7	27.8			
Students without disabilities (n=186)	76.3	66.1			
Gender					
Male (n=115)	67	56.5			
Female (n=107)	74.8	63.6			
Ethnic Group					
African American (n=112)	60.7	51.8			
Hispanic (n=1)	N/A	N/A			
White (n=107)	80.4	68.2			
Other (n=2)	N/A	N/A			
Lunch Status Group					
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=139)	66.2	54.7			
Pay for lunch (n=83)	78.3	68.7			

# **SCHOOL PROFILE** INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$4,714	N/A	\$5,203	\$5,347
<ul> <li>Prime instructional time</li> </ul>	92.9%	Up from 88.5%	90.1%	90.2%
<ul> <li>Student-teacher ratio in core subjects</li> </ul>	19.7 to 1	N/A	18.5 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=465)				
Attendance Rate	99.3%	Up from 96.7%	96%	96.2%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level</li> </ul>	3.6%	N/A	3.9%	4.1%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade leve</li> </ul>	1.8% I	N/A	3.3%	3.1%
<ul> <li>First graders who attended full day kindergarten</li> </ul>	100%	Up from 94.1%	96.8%	96.3%
<ul> <li>Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate TEACHERS (n=32)	6.3%	Up from 6.2%	4%	3.6%
<ul> <li>Professional Development days per teacher</li> </ul>	6.1 Days	Down from 6.6	7.4 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	94.2%	Up from 92.7%	95.1%	95.1%
<ul> <li>Teachers with advanced degrees</li> </ul>	50%	Up from 48.4%	45.5%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	87.5%	Down from 90.3	% 84%	83.8%
Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	Down from 6.5%	0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	87.4%	Up from 86%	87.8%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$36,738	Up 1.9%	\$36,858	\$37,520

## **SCHOOL FACTS**

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
0	ur School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
<ul> <li>Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries</li> </ul>	69.4%	N/A	65.7%	65.3%
<ul> <li>Principal's years at the school</li> </ul>	2	N/A	4	4.0
<ul> <li>Parents attending conferences</li> </ul>	99%	N/A	94.8%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
<ul> <li>On academic plans</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	49.1%	43.1%
<ul> <li>On academic probation</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
Older than usual for grade	3%	Up from 1.5%	1.3%	1.1%
<ul> <li>Suspended or expelled</li> </ul>	0	N/A	1	1
<ul> <li>Gifted and talented</li> </ul>	5.8%	Up from 3.5%	9.5%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	13.8%	Up from 11.3%	8.3%	8.4%



# PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Principal's School Improvement Council Report

This has been an exciting school year at Westwood Elementary School. Our students have worked hard, and many of them were placed on the A and AB Honor Rolls and participated in the Awards Day programs.

Our teachers worked very hard this year. We renewed our 5-year accreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools after a two-year-long effort to evaluate ourselves. We anticipate the next five years will bring many improvements as we make efforts to accomplish the items we have listed for our academic program and our professional improvement.

Mrs. Lori Glace received National Board Certification and Mrs. Barbara Lyons began the process to receive her National Board Certification during the next year. Mrs. Patrice Rosenberg was selected as Teacher of the Year for Westwood and will proceed to the district competition. Several teachers served on committees at the district level for state standards implementation.

PACT scores improved and we believe they will show more improvement as we continue to work with the alignment of state standards and classroom teaching.

We also appreciate the PTA and the School Improvement Council. The PTA raised funds for new playground equipment, and the School Improvement Council participated in the SACS study and held several social activities for the students. Uniforms for the teachers and staff were implemented and the Panther Cub logo was adopted. A new discipline code was introduced. "The New Three R's" indicate respect, responsibility and right choices.

Evaluations by Teachers and Students: (Percentage satisfied)

	Teachers	Students	Parents
School Expectations	98%	96%	94%
Academic Challenge	939	% 83%	90%
Learning Support	78%	82%	87%

### **EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**

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Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	92.9	84.1	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	92.9	85.9	
Satisfied with home-school relations	67.9	89.1	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.



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**Grades** K-5 Elementary School

**Enrollment:** 465 Students

Principal

Perry Rowland 864-459-9604

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Dr. Larry Lawson 864-446-3250

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School Grade: Below Average

## South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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